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In re Application

Inventor(s): Steve Mitchell

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REPLACEMENT IMPLANT WITH
CROSSBAR SPACER AND METHOD

PATENT APPLICATION

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2005. A Declaration of Steve Mitchell Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131, a Request for Extension of Time, a Fee Transmittal Sheet and a check to cover the required fees accompany this Reply.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

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